

The Son Of God Who Serves

Mark 1:1-20

"Mark: The Son Of God Who Serves", Part 1

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I) JESUS: THE SON OF GOD WHO SERVES (overview of the Gospel Of Mark)

1) AUTHORSHIP: Written by JOHN MARK who received his information from PETER.

(for John Mark see Acts 12, 13, 15, Col. 4:10, 2 Tim. 4:11)

2) RECIPIENTS: The church at ROME, Gentile readers.

3) DATE: Sometime between 62-67 AD.

4) PURPOSE: *"To present the gospel to a Roman readership by proving that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and to provide a pattern of discipleship through the model of the suffering servant who remained faithful even unto death."* (Dr. Mark Bailey)

5) THEMES: Miracles, passion narrative (over 40%), discipleship, action ("immediately" 41x), preparation.

II) JESUS BEGINNING TO SERVE AS THE SON OF GOD (Mark 1:1-20)

1) Jesus' PREPARATION for ministry. (Mark 1:1-8)

a) Through the prediction of O.T. SCRIPTURE. (Mark 1:1-3, Malachi 3:1, Isaiah 40:3)

b) Through the preaching of JOHN THE BAPTIST. (Mark 1:4-8)

2) Jesus' INITIATION into ministry. (Mark 1:9-13)

a) Through His BAPTISM. (Mark 1:9-11)

b) Through His TEMPTATION. (Mark 1:12-13)

3) Jesus' IMPLEMENTATION for ministry. (Mark 1:14-20)

a) Through the preaching of the GOOD NEWS. (Mark 1:14-15)

b) Through the calling of the FIRST DISCIPLES. (Mark 1:16-20)

III) LEARNING TO BE A SERVANT LIKE JESUS (application)

1) Our actions: Do we spend more time SERVING or looking for others to SERVE US?

2) Our attitudes: Do we seek to do the FATHER'S will or OUR OWN will?